

AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

SPECIAL CALLED MEETING WEDNESDAY, JULY 19, 2006

The City Council of Austin, Texas convened in a Special Called Meeting on Wednesday, July 19, 2006 in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 301 W. 2nd Street, Austin, Texas. Mayor Wynn called the Council Meeting to order at 2:34 p.m.

Mayor Wynn recessed the Council Meeting to go into Executive Session at 2:35 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The City Council went into Executive Session, pursuant to Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, to receive advice from Legal Counsel, to discuss matters of land acquisition, litigation, and personnel matters as specifically listed on this agenda and to receive advice from Legal Counsel regarding any other item on this agenda.

1. Discuss legal issues in League of United Latin American Citizens, et. al. v. Rick Perry, Governor of Texas, et. al., Cause No. 2:03CV-354, in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Texas -- Marshall Division. (Concerns congressional redistricting) (Private Consultation with Attorney - 551.071) (Related to Item #2)

The Executive Session ended and Mayor Pro Tem Dunkerley called the Council Meeting back to order at 5:14 p.m.

ACTION ITEMS

2. Direct the City Manager to take appropriate action in League of United Latin American Citizens, et. al, v. Rick Perry, Governor of Texas, et. al., Cause No. 2:03CV-354, in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Texas -- Marshall Division. (Concerns congressional redistricting) (Related to Item #1) The motion directing the City Manager to submit a rebuttal brief on Thursday, July 20, 2006 for the court's consideration that would urge them to adopt a plan that creates a district firmly anchored in Austin (i.e., at least 2/3rds of the population living in this district would reside in Austin) and corrects the problems cited by the United States Supreme Court (when it rejected the current redistricting plan) was approved on Council Member Leffingwell's motion, Council Member Martinez' second on a 6-0 vote. Mayor Wynn was off the dais but a written statement from the Mayor was read into the record by Mayor Pro Tem Dunkerley. Council Member Leffingwell requested the brief indicate that, of the plans looked at by Council, the plan submitted by Travis County best meets the City's minimum criteria because 75% of the voting population in the County's proposed District 25 lives within Austin's city limits.

Mayor Pro Tem Dunkerley adjourned the meeting at 5:33 p.m. without objection.

The minutes for the Special Called Meeting of July 19, 2006 were approved on this the 10th day of August, 2006 on Council Member Leffingwell's motion, Council Member McCracken's second on a 7-0 vote.